

REMARKS

Entry of the present Amendment to correct minor informalities in allowed claims 8 and 10 prior to issue is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-11 are pending in the present application and are allowed. Claims 8 and 10 are amended by the present Amendment.

As an initial matter, Applicant thanks the Examiner for the allowance of the present application. During review of the allowed claims, Applicant identified a minor informality in claims 8 and 10. Specifically, although allowed claim 8 recited, *inter alia*, “at least one protrusion and at least one depression on an outer peripheral surface of an internal cylindrical portion of said-stationary member,” that portion of claim 8 should instead read “at least one protrusion and at least one depression on an outer peripheral surface of an internal cylindrical portion of said circular rotary dial.” Further, claim 10 includes a corresponding informality.

It is respectfully submitted this informality would be obvious at least in light of the specification at page 10, line 11 to page 11, line 3 and FIG. 4.

Accordingly, the present Amendment amends claims 8 and 10 only to correct this minor informality. It is believed no new matter is added by the amendments to claims 8 and 10. Moreover, the present amendments to claims 8 and 10 are not believed to require further examination on the merits, because the changes to claims 8 and 10 are of only a minor nature, would have been clear to one of ordinary skill, and are not believed to substantially change the scope of claims 8 and 10.

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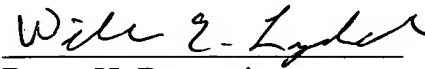
Conclusion

Consequently, in light of the above discussion and in view of the present amendment, entry of the present Amendment and passage of this application to issue are respectfully requested.

The amendments to the claims which have been made in this amendment have not been specifically noted to overcome a rejection based upon the prior art, and therefore should be considered to have been made for a purpose unrelated to patentability, and no estoppel should be deemed to attach thereto.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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